

Gaffney, S. C., Banker Looks for Man who Forged Draft for \$1,500

(New York World.)

A. N. Wood, vice president of the Merchants and Planters' National Bank of Gaffney, S. C. was flat on his back in a sanitarium at Charlotte, N. C., last January when a prominent Stock Exchange house of this city received the following letter, written on the stationery of the Hotel Breslin:

Inclosed find draft for \$1,500 which you will place to my credit and open orders as follows: Sell 5 October cotton at 950, but if not executed by 10.40 o'clock, sell at the market. Close out this cotton at 15 points decline and replace at same price.

Send all mail to this hotel. Am going to Boston tomorrow and hope to see you Saturday. If you look up the bankers of S. C., you will see who I am. Being Vice President of a bank, never wire me anything. I am not a speculator but just thought would make expenses while off in interest of our cotton mills. Yours truly,
A. N. WOOD,
Gaffney, S. C.

Signature Similar.

With a natural prejudice against acceptance of speculative accounts from bank officers, the broker looked through the records and discovered that the National Park Bank was New York correspondent of the South Carolina institution. They took the check there and found that, though the signature did not precisely tally with the signature card in the Park Bank, it was closely similar. The brokers then requested their bankers, the Bank of Manhattan Company, to wire the Merchants and Planters' of Gaffney and ask if Mr. Wood was in New York. This reply was received:

"Mr. A. N. Wood is in Charlotte, N. C., care Charlotte Sanitarium."

Satisfied now that the check was a forgery, the brokers called up Police Headquarters and Frederick V. Franklin of the First Branch Detective Bureau was put on the case. He found no A. N. Wood registered at the Breslin but kept close watch over the telephone in the hope that the writer of the check might call up.

Market Not His Way.

But the cotton market ran counter to the orders in the "A. N. Wood" letter; else the brokers think they would certainly have heard from the writer with instructions to send back the A. N. Wood check and mail to him a check representing the profit on the speculation.

For cumulative evidence of the spuriousness of the check the brokers sent it to the South Carolina bank, asking that it be exchanged for a New York draft. The bank sent it back without comment on the genuineness of the check, but simply with the endorsement "Signature not authorized."

That the forgery was clever was also shown by a letter from R. S. Liscomb, cashier of the bank as follows:

"Will you please let me know from whom you got the draft made on us for \$1,500, signed by A. N. Wood and returned to you with endorsement 'Signature not authorized'? I am a loss to know how you could have come into possession of this draft?"

The brokers heard nothing more from the police and had dismissed the matter from their minds until yesterday one of the partners raised his brows in pleased surprise as there was ushered into his office a tall, lithe, square shouldered man, with gray hair, goatee and mustache, and wearing a long, black coat, turndown collar and black string tie. As a Southern gentleman of the old school the broker knew his caller even before he introduced himself with the sonorous drawl:

"A. N. Wood, Vice President of the Merchants and Planters' National Bank of Gaffney, South Carolina, sah."

Mr. Wood entirely recovered from his illness and with spring in his step and fire in his eye, was here to run down the man who had uttered the forgery. He saw the false signature for the first time, for he had previously been unable to leave the South. He took the check and letter away with him.

A GREAT CATTLE SHORTAGE.

A great shortage of beef cattle prevails throughout the world today. Reliable statistics show that since 1900, the number of beef cattle in the United States has decreased from 45,000,000 to 37,000,000, while our population has increased from 75,000,000 to 100,000,000. In other words, there were 60 beef cattle for every hundred people in 1900, there are now but 37 beef cattle for every hundred people. These figures cover the United States only. That the same relative conditions prevail almost throughout the world is evidenced by the constantly increasing price of beef, notwithstanding the fact that facilities for moving an excess supply from one part of the world to another were never better. The plans of Australia, Argentina, and Canada, and the valleys of Mexico to which we have been looking for an unlimited supply of cattle prove to be as lightly stocked as are our own fields. Europe has not supplied her own needs for years and with the present war devastating her supply, she must look to the rest of the world for a long time to come to supply her with meat.

This shortage in cattle cannot be quickly overcome as they multiply slowly.

Governor Craig's council of state last week authorized State Treasurer B. R. Lacey to borrow \$375,000 to take up a former loan thereby tiding the institutions over the lean months of tax collecting.

DISCOVERY OF CAUSE AND CURE FOR PELLAGRA IS ANNOUNCED.

Balanced Rations Cure for This Plague Surgeons Announce.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Discovery of the cause of and cure for pellagra was announced formally tonight by the public health service. The announcement follows the recent publication of a report by Surgeon Joseph Goldberger on a year of experiments in cooperation with southern state health officials demonstrating that the correctness of the theory that a one-sided diet lacking in proteids would cause the disease and that a well-balanced diet would cure it.

"The spread of this dread malady, which has been increasing in the United States at a terrific rate during the past few years, may now be checked and eventually eradicated," says the service statement. "It is estimated that 75,000 cases of the disease will have occurred in the United States in 1915 and of this number at least 7,500 will have died before the end of the year. In many sections only tuberculosis and pneumonia exceed it as a cause of death."

The final dietary tests were made by Surgeon Goldberger and Assistant Surgeon W. A. Wheeler at the farm of the Mississippi penitentiary, where half a dozen convicts were given pellagra by feeding them for five months on bountiful meals consisting chiefly of cereals and sweets and lacking in meats, milk, eggs, beans and peas. The victims recently were pardoned by the governor and are now being restored to health through a corrected diet.

In earlier experiments about two hundred pellagra patients had been cured by balanced rations, and at the end of a year there had been a slight recurrence of the disease in only one instance.

GREAT WEST AND NORTHWEST.

Brief Story of a North Carolina Representative to Sovereign Grand Lodge Odd Fellows Recently Held in San Francisco.

(North Carolina Odd Fellow.)

Pursuant to your request I shall attempt a brief outline of the proceedings enacted during the sessions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge held in San Francisco last month. Columns could be filled with a description of the wonderful country through which our representatives passed en route to "Frisco" and on the return trip. An adequate story of the great exposition there would cover every page of the Odd Fellow.

The scenery may be described as wonderful, picturesque, matchless, throughout the west and northwest, but it does not surpass some sections of Western North Carolina for beautiful mountains or kindred attractions. The mountains along the Pacific coast rise to greater heights than ours, but the absence of verdure robs them of real beauty. Snow-capped, it is true, many of them and naturally interesting to a Southerner in the summer time. They impress the traveler as mammoth sand hills at the mercy of the winds, which sweep over the arid sections of Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Southern California. A number of extinct volcanoes were pointed out to us and thrilling stories touching their early eruptions fell upon attentive ears. The Cascades in the State of Washington reminded us of home. Here are the big trees we used to read about and the historic picture is not overdrawn. Some of them are four hundred feet high, three thousand years old and their trunks of sufficient dimensions to admit of space through which a team of horses and wagon may pass without difficulty. It is needless to suggest that lumbering is one of the principal industries of this section.

Southern California may properly be designated as a "fairy garden from the white surf of its bathing beaches to the skirts of its hills." The bright smile of acres of carnations greet you frequently along the way and from every side comes the inspiring perfume of orange and lemon groves bidding one to gaze with amazement upon fruit and flower at the same time. Here, too, flourishes the famous California grape and other luscious fruits in almost endless variety, and artistic homes proclaim the existence of a happy prosperous people. Evidences of the magical development of the entire country from Los Angeles, California to Seattle, Washington, the widespread cultivation of the rich soil in farms impresses one with the wonderful growth of the country, while the great wheatfield region of Eastern Washington affords interesting glimpses of farming on a grand scale. I shall not attempt a description of the many beautiful cities along the western coast or the numerous points of interest visited. The Grand Canyon of Arizona begs description. It is, indeed, one of the wonders of the world. Mount Shasta, the Cascade tunnels, Great Salt Lake, the Royal Gorge of the Arkansas River, Pike's Peak, Garden of the Gods, Cheyenne Canyon, Cave of the Winds, Canyon of the Snake River, Lookout Mountain (near Denver) and Manitou Gorge were deeply impressive of nature's remarkable handiwork. The surroundings at each of these points were enchanting and the trip in its entirety convinced us that this is a country of "magnificent distances." As one brother expressed it:

"It's a long way to San Francisco,
It's a long way to go;
It's a long way to Frisco,
It's a long way to you know."

Once there, you find yourself in one of the prettiest and wealthiest cities on the American continent. Inclusive of the cities in the immediate vicinity

San Francisco boasts of 750,000 population. Taking into consideration the admirable location and the ability of her people to handle big propositions, it is little wonder that the United States Congress decided upon that metropolitan city as a most suitable spot upon which the completion of the Panama Canal might be celebrated in a striking and memorable fashion. Here it is that the nations of the world have brought for exhibition the best of their products and all who have beheld the wonders there displayed agree that the Panama-Pacific Exposition is architecturally and artistically, the most beautiful they have ever seen before.

It was in this enchanted land that the Sovereign Grand Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows met in its ninety-first annual communication, September 20 of this good year. The usual divine services preceding the sessions were conducted on Sunday morning, September 18th at Cavalry Presbyterian Church by the pastor, Dr. Josiah Sibley, who delivered an impressive discourse based upon the covenant between Jonathan and David. Many officers and representatives of the Grand Lodge were in attendance. On the following morning the first session of the governing body of the greatest fraternity the world has ever known was formally opened in the Scottish Rite Temple. There were welcoming addresses galore and a large concourse of people applauded them vociferously. Acting Grand Sire Judge J. B. A. Robertson, of Oklahoma, fittingly responded on behalf of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

The first business transacted was the election of a successor to the lamented Grand Sire, Judge Robert T. Dandel, of Griffith, Georgia, this distinguished honor going to Judge Robertson by a unanimous vote. To fill the vacant chair of Deputy Grand Sire required only one ballot which resulted in the election of Judge Frank C. Goudy, of Denver, Colorado. In the selection of standing committees, the representatives from North Carolina drew important assignments, one chairmanship going to your humble servant.

Much of the routine I am not privileged to disclose. Perhaps the most important action taken was the adoption of an entirely new revised Code of Laws prepared by a committee composed of Representatives Rhinehardt, of Florida, Eastin, of Mississippi, and Troutman, of New York. It is said to be one of the most complete codifications of the laws of the Order ever published. The legislation of almost a century was digested with extreme care and all existing statutory provisions placed in a form that will easily be possible to all. This new code becomes effective on January 1, 1916 at which time copies are expected to be available. Few, if any, changes in the present laws were enacted. The proposed amendment relative to age was not passed upon, being ruled out on a point of order. The proposition relative to qualifications of representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge met a similar fate. Both of these suggestions will be considered at the annual convocation, which is to be held in Chattanooga, Tennessee, next year.

By far the most interesting event of the session was the annual parade on Wednesday, when the five-mile-long pageant moved through the city proper to the exposition grounds. A conservative estimate placed the number of participants at 20,000 and many of the local people who witnessed the parade pronounced it the largest and most creditable exhibition of like character that San Francisco had experienced since the exposition began. Numbers of beautiful floats entered by local organizations were in evidence. There were tall-ho bands, drum corps patriachs militant in full dress uniform, and other attractions too numerous to mention. One float that attracted the interested observer was a miniature representation of the California Odd Fellows Home; another the insignia of the Order in the shape of three flower links with a little girl in the center of each link. A car was provided for each state delegation and these moved forward in alphabetical order. It was an inspiring scene, one worth going hundreds of miles to witness.

But my story is already too long and I must stop right here. While the trip was highly interesting and enjoyable I am delighted to be back in the Old North State again which, after all is in a class to itself and hard to beat.

Fraternally,
M. L. SHIPMAN.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 1915.

CITY STATEMENT.

In this issue can be found the regular quarterly statement of the finances of the city of Hendersonville which is required by law to be published in the local newspapers. The prime object in having the statement published four times a year was to make it of more interest to the readers and citizens of Hendersonville. Heretofore the statement appeared once a year and the items were of such far date that very little interest was taken in the report.

WILSON WOMAN CONFESSES TO KILLING HER INFANT

Wilson, Nov. 4.—The discovery of a dead infant in the garden in the rear of a house on East Nash street late this afternoon led to an investigation. Sudie Bryant living in the house, confessed it is alleged, to being the mother of the child, saying that the child was born last night. The head of the infant was crushed and after the examination of the body by a physician who said the child was killed after the birth, the woman admitted that she had killed the infant. She is under guard until she becomes able to be taken to jail.

TOBACCO KILLS A COW.

An incident worth note to livestock men occurred southeast of town on the Statesville road Saturday evening about sundown Jim Transon, a colored man stopped at Henry Felmester's for a few minutes on his way home from Mr. C. C. Gambill's. Henry had just finished milking his cow and they went into his backyard together. His \$40 milker got hold of and ate two hands of tobacco and died in a short time.—North Wilkesboro Hustler.

MILITARY CAMP TO BE ESTABLISHED IN N. C. IN SPRING.

Major General Wood Announces Plan But Fails to Designate Site. Richmond, Va., Nov. 11.—Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the department of the east, tonight announced that a military camp of instruction for civilians would be established in North Carolina early next year. The camp will be similar to the one operated at Plattsburg, N. Y., last summer.

General Wood delivered an address before the Richmond alumni of Virginia Military Institute at the observance of the 77th anniversary of the foundation of that school. He advised graduates of the school to be ready for service in the United States army when called upon, and discussed the plans to increase the number of officers in the regular service. He stressed the importance of military schools and suggested courses of a military nature in academic institutions. More liberal support of the national guard and the adoption of the Swiss and Austrian systems of military training in the United States was urged.

Representatives of the press were barred while General Wood made his address.

Financial.
"Money is the root of all evil," and grafting doesn't improve the fruit.—Smart Set.

No. 10,734 TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, D. C., May 4, 1915.

Whereas by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned it has been made to appear that the Citizens National Bank of Hendersonville in the city of Hendersonville in the county of Henderson and state of North Carolina has complied with all the provisions of the statutes of the United States required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of banking; now therefore, I, John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that the Citizens National Bank of Hendersonville, in the city of Hendersonville, in the county of Henderson, State of North Carolina is authorized as provided in section fifty one hundred and sixty nine of the revised statutes of the United States.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal of office, this 4th day of May, 1915.

JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS,
Comptroller of the Currency,
Seal of
Comptroller of the Currency.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of that Mortgage executed by Gallamore and Wynne to me as recorded in Book 39 at page 173 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust for Henderson county, North Carolina and to satisfy a note for \$2,000, interested, cost and expenses I will on the 23rd day of November 1915 at the court house door in said county at 12 o'clock N. Y. offer for sale to the highest bidder the following described real estate to-wit:

Beginning at a stake in the south margin of east College street, now third avenue, at the N. W. corner of one acre lot conveyed by H. G. Ewart and wife to Mrs. T. J. Blythe by deed dated Oct. 9th, 1886 and registered in Book No. 22, page 133 of the records of Deeds for Henderson county and runs thence S. 10 deg. E. with the line of the aforesaid lot 174 feet to a stake the S. W. corner of the said T. J. Blythe lot; thence N. 80 deg. 70 feet, a stake the S. W. corner of a lot retained by D. D. Henderson; thence N. 10 deg. W. parallel with the lines first mentioned above 174 feet to a stake in the South margin of said College street, now 3rd avenue, at the N. W. corner of the lot retained by D. D. Henderson; thence S. 80 deg. W. with the South margin of said avenue 70 feet to the beginning. This being the lot conveyed by Mrs. M. E. Pace to the Gallamore-Wynne Drug Company.

This the 23 day of October, 1915.

C. E. DODAMEAD,
Mortgagee.

BY PUBLICATION.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS State of North Carolina, County of Henderson.

In the Superior Court. November Term, 1915.

Bessie Gibbs (by her next friend J. M. Dermid) vs. T. W. Gibbs.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior court of Henderson County, North Carolina, to dissolve the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and defendant, and for a decree for an absolute divorce on the ground of fornication and adultery on the part of the defendant; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the term of the Superior court of said county to be held on the 15th day of November, 1915, at the court house of said county in the city of Hendersonville, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

C. M. PACE, C. S. C.
Henderson County, North Carolina.
J. F. Justice,
Att'y for the Plaintiff. 10-14-15

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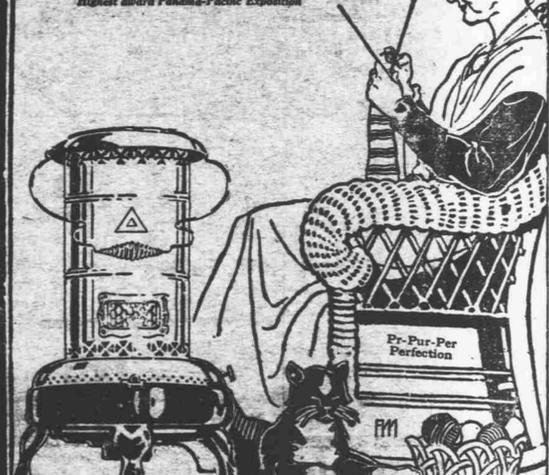
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State of North Carolina, County of Henderson.

In the Superior Court. Nannie J. Mitchell, vs. John W. Mitchell.

To John W. Mitchell, defendant: Take notice that on the 30th day of October 1915 at 3 o'clock p. m. and thereafter in the law offices of Webb & Mull in the city of Shelby, county of Cleveland and state of North Carolina, before J. F. Ledford, Notary Public the depositions of Mrs. Mary Waitte Robinson and Miss Mary M. Robinson will be taken, to be read as evidence for the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which is now pending in the Superior court of Henderson County, State of North Carolina; and you will further take notice, that if the taking of the said depositions is not begun and completed on the said day, same will be continued from day to day until completed.

This the 2nd day of Oct. 1915.

J. F. JUSTICE, and MICHAEL SCHENCK, 10-7-15c Attorney for the Plaintiff

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